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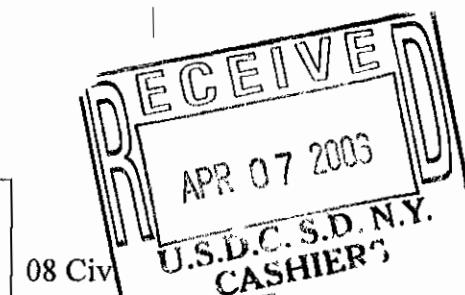
UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
 SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

VOC BULK SHIPPING (USA) INC.,

Petitioner,
 -against-

RENSSELAER IRON & STEEL, INC.,
 Respondent.

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RULE 7.1 STATEMENT

08-cv-3418(DC)

Pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 7.1 (formerly Local General Rule 1.9) and to enable Judges and Magistrate Judges of the Court to evaluate possible disqualification or recusal, the undersigned counsel for Petitioner certifies that VOC BULK SHIPPING (USA) INC. has no corporate parent or publicly held corporation which owns 10% or more of its stock.

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Respectfully submitted,
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